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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 25, 2002. Reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully solicited in view of the following amendments and remarks.

RESTRICTION

The Applicant elects the inventions of Group II without traverse. Applicant further elects the species corresponding to Figures 1, 2, 7, and 8,13-17. There is much commonality in the structures presented in these figures.

The elected invention and elected species show an interventional catheter having a therapy balloon located near the distal tip and a fluid ejection port. The therapy balloon may be used for angioplasty 65 or stent placement 77 as discussed in the specification. In each instance the interventional device 10 also has a lumen 18 for ejecting fluid 74 creating a retrograde flow at a location distal of the therapy balloon